

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed April 5, 2005, Applicant has now renumbered the claims in accordance with the Examiner's request. In addition, as also requested by the Examiner, the Applicant has presented a new complete listing of the renumbered claims, with Claims 1-24 being indicated as "canceled".

With regard to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Claims 25-49, drawn to a tape dispenser for prosecution at this time, while reserving the right to prosecute the method for closing and sealing two adjacent flaps found in Claims 50-53 at a later time.

Applicant wishes to point out to the Examiner that the Examiner's statement which read "Misnumbered claims 30-59 have been renumbered 24-52" should have read "Misnumbered claims 30-59 have been renumbered 25-53", since Claims 1-24 have been now been canceled.

The Applicant believes that this election satisfies the requirements detailed in the Office Action of April 5, 2005 and that this application is now ready for an examination on the merits. If any additional issues remain which could be resolved by a telephone interview, Applicant's undersigned Attorney would gladly discuss any such

questions with the Examiner at the Examiner's convenience. Alternatively, the Applicant looks forward to receiving an Action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,



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